

## DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

Isiah Leggett
County Executive

October 15, 2015

Lisa Feldt Director

Jerry Grable Kline, LLC 7700 Grove Road Frederick, MD 21704

Re: Noise Suppression Plan for William H. Farquhar Middle School Project

Dear Mr. Grable:

This letter is to acknowledge receipt of the Noise Suppression Plan submitted to the Montgomery County Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) on September 24, 2015 for the installation of geothermal wells at the new William H. Farquhar Middle School construction project. We have completed our review of the plan and found it to be sufficient and approve this plan with the following terms and conditions:

- 1. This approval is specific to only the noise created from the installation of geothermal wells for the new William H. Farquhar Middle School.
- 2. The 85 A-Weighted decibel (dBA) limit only applies from 7:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday for the activity specified in item 1 above. At all other times, including weekday Federal holidays, the maximum noise levels must comply with the noise limits as specified in Section 31B-6 of the Montgomery County Code.
- 3. The integrity of the noise barriers installed along the Northern property line must be maintained throughout the project.
- 4. Noise levels will be monitored on a regular basis with the decibel levels and locations of the monitoring sites kept in a log on site, which shall be available for inspection and review upon request.
- 5. You must maintain a log on site containing detailed information concerning any complaints received concerning noise from this project.
- 6. DEP may suspend, modify or revoke this approval for any violation of the terms and conditions of the Noise Suppression Plan.
- 7. A copy of this approval and the Noise Suppression Plan must be available at the construction site.

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If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Alex Torrella at 240-777-7784 or by email at <a href="mailto:alex.torrella@montgomerycountymd.gov">alex.torrella@montgomerycountymd.gov</a>.

Sincerely,

Lisa Feldt Director

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